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January 5, 2020 ~ The Epiphany of the Lord



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CELEBRATING TOGETHER



Parish Ministries

Please call the Parish Office for Mass and Prayer Intentions, Homebound and Hospitalized Ministry, Funerals, The Catholic Exponent, Family Information Changes, New Parishioner Registration and details about any Parish Organization and Ministry.

Celebrating the Sacraments:

Baptism: Call Parish Office to make arrangements.

First Eucharist: Celebrated in the 2nd grade with parents and children participating in preparation program.

Confirmation: Celebrated with the Bishop biannually for 8th graders (or older) who have attended preparation classes.

Reconciliation: Celebrated Saturday at 4:00 p.m. or by appointment. Communal Reconciliation Services are held during Lent and Advent.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish Office to inform us of anyone who is sick (at home or in the hospital) for visitation and anointing.

Marriage: Couples should contact the Parish Office/Priest before making any arrangements for marriage (at least 6 months in advance). Couples must be registered in the parish and participate in the marriage preparation program.

Holy Orders: For information on religious life, contact Diocese of Youngstown Vocation Office at 330-744-8451.

Christian Formation and Education

Parish School of Religion (PSR)
Sunday Morning Gr. K-8
9:30-10:45 a.m.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):
Sunday Mornings
9:30-10:45 a.m.

Adult and Teen Enrichment Programs:
Offered periodically throughout the year.
Consult the weekly bulletin.

John F. Kennedy Catholic School
www.warrenjfk.com

Lower Campus—Grades K-5
330-372-2375

Upper Campus—Grades 6-12
330-369-1804

Hall Rental/Catering:

Contact the Parish Office for details.

Catholic Charities Regional Agency:

Trumbull County 330-393-4254

Bulletin Deadline: Articles must be submitted to the Parish Office *or emailed to* drobinson@stwilliamchampion.org by Wednesday prior to the weekend they are to appear.

Visit our website at

www.stwilliamchampion.org



CELEBRATION OF THE LITURGY

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.

Winter - Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Summer - Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Weekdays - 8:30 a.m. Tuesday - Friday

Holydays - Check weekly bulletin

Communion Service - Monday 8:30 a.m.



Today we celebrate the Feast of Epiphany and in doing so continue our Christmas season in the Church. The visitation of the Three Wise Kings to the infant child serves as a reminder to us of God's presence in our world. Through his humble birth, Jesus enters into our world as the manifestation and revelation of the living God. The magi undertake an extraordinary journey in search of the Savior. In a way, the journey is foretold in the first reading from the prophet Isaiah when the people of Israel are told, "nations shall walk by your light." Jesus, the light of the world, is revealed by the brightness of a star. This story helps us to understand how Jesus brings hope to our world. All of us are invited to walk in the light of the star of Bethlehem. While our journey of faith might take us along different routes, the same God of creation, manifested to us in his Son, Jesus, awaits with arms stretched wide to gather us to himself. Our celebration today should give us a sense of hope and fulfillment in this New Year. As we begin 2020 may we realized and remember the presence of the Lord in one another in the coming weeks and months.

Traditionally, today is also a day to bless our homes asking that God will continue to watch over and guide us in the coming year. In today's bulletin there is a special house blessing prayer for you to use to bless your home.

Have a Good Week! Father Balash



~ January 5 - 12, 2020 ~
Epiphany of the Lord

JANUARY 5, 2020

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **GEORGE SCHUSTER/** Kochunas Family
Sun 8:30 a.m. † **RICHARD HUDAK/** Penny Hudak
11:00 a.m. † **HELEN SPANO/** Ron & Pat Augustinsky

Mon 8:30 a.m. † **COMMUNION SERVICE**
Tues 8:30 a.m. † **ANN SEKERAK/** Women's Guild
Wed 8:30 a.m. † **STEVE MILLIK/** Millik Family
Thur 8:30 a.m. † **KAREN BOGAN/** Mr. & Mrs. Joe Kapcsos
Fri 8:30 a.m. † **CHARLES DUNAVANT/** Therese & Jim Tuttle

JANUARY 12, 2020

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **SHELLY ROGERS/** Liz Dunlap
Sun 8:30 a.m. † **JUDY WOLFE/** Music Ministry
11:00 a.m. † **ANN SEKERAK/** The Wolfe Family

OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ December 29, 2019 (WK 26)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 5,649.35*	\$ 186,588.13*
Amount Needed	\$ 7,100.00	\$ 184,600.00
Difference	\$ (1,450.65)	\$ 1,988.13
Performance	80%	101%

*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 206.35 LAST WK — \$ 16,546.24 YTD
Envelopes ~ 163 out of 550
Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 10.00 (10 out of 62)

Christmas Offering to Date: \$ 12,511.25

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

~ January 12, 2020 ~

The Baptism of the Lord

Lectors

5:00 p.m. Deana Barco, John Robinson
8:30 a.m. Linda Horn, Mike Trunick
11:00 a.m. Erin Lee, Cathy Poponak

Servers

5:00 p.m. Kiley Karafa, Kaycie Martinko
8:30 a.m. Nathan Goldner, James Swiger
11:00 a.m. Theresa Craiger, Dan Gelet

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 p.m. Barb Robinson, Dan Robinson, Nancy Tuttle
8:30 a.m. Carole Baniak, Michelle Jeffers, Dave Lucanski, Frank Pytlik, Treva Pytlik, Jamie Taneri
11:00 a.m. Barb Bickford, Dave Bickford, Scott Freer, Jeanette Jaskiewicz, Ann Sprague, Maureen Thuman



Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ January 12, 2020 ~

The Baptism of the Lord

Isaiah 42: 1-4, 6-7

Thus says the LORD: Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am pleased ...

Acts 10: 34-38

Peter proceeded to speak to those gathered in the house of Cornelius, saying: "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality ...

Mathew 3: 13-17

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. John tried to prevent him, saying ...

PARISH APP

Stop missing out on Parish News and Updates!



Sign up today for Our Parish APP and stop missing out on news, updates, reminders and weather cancelations! It's easy and convenient and it keeps you in touch and up-to-date on parish happenings, events and news! Text APP to **88202** to download

myParish APP and select our parish. Visit our website: www.stwilliamchampion.org for easy instructions or call the Parish Office.

NOW IS THE PERFECT TIME!!!

With the start of the New Year why not make your weekly contribution to the parish easy and convenient! Sign up for *myEoffering* today and simplify your weekly contribution. Electronic giving is safe, secure and easy! Information can be found on the parish website: www.stwilliamchampion.org. Follow the easy sign-up registration and instruction steps to establish your account. Questions??? Call the Parish Office.

FISH DINNER NEWS!

It's Almost Fish Dinner Time, In Case You Are Wondering...

- ♦ Fish Dinners begin on Friday, February 21, 2020
- ♦ Fish Dinner Worker Meeting – Thursday, February 13 – 6:30 p.m.



It All Comes Down Next Week!

Next Sunday we will conclude the Christmas Season with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. The Christmas environment will be disassembled after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. *Help is needed! You are able to help out for 1 hour it would be greatly appreciated!!*

MASS FOR LIFE

Each year the Diocese hosts a Mass for Life as a prayerful reminder that we must protect and nurture human life at every stage of existence. Bishop Murry will preside at the Mass for Life on Sunday, January 26, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. at St. Columba Cathedral. Included at Mass will be a Blessing of Children in the Womb for all who are pregnant. A reception follows and all are welcome to attend.

THE PARISH CALENDAR

- JAN 7 ~ Quilters 9:00 a.m.
- JAN 7 ~ RCIA at St. Rose 6:30 p.m.
- JAN 8 ~ Women's Guild 6:00 p.m.
- JAN 9 ~ NAIM Club 12:30 p.m. Pizza Party in Room 103
- JAN 9 ~ Parish Life Committee 7:00 p.m.
- JAN 11 ~ Folk Group Rehearsal and Mass 3:30 p.m.
- JAN 12 ~ Confirmation Retreat at Blessed Sacrament 9:00 a.m.
- JAN 12 ~ Adult Choir Rehearsal and Mass 9:45 a.m.
- JAN 12 ~ Youth Ministry 12:00 p.m.

Check out the Parish Calendar on our website for more events

2019 Contribution Tax Statements

If you are in need of a copy of your 2019 Contributions **for itemizing deductions on your tax return**, please fill out the following coupon and return it to the Parish Office.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Statements will be available in the vestibule.

SAVE THE DATE!

Parish Appreciation Event "St. William Derby Night At the Races" Saturday ~ February 1, 2020



Our Annual Parish Appreciation Event will be held on Saturday, February 1, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. for all adult parishioners who have volunteered their time and effort during the past year. Join us for this enjoyable and fun-filled evening! *It's "Derby Night" at Saint William!!!* This year's event features "cashless" horse racing, a delicious soup and salad grand buffet, great prizes, and maybe some Mint Julips! You might even become a thoroughbred owner and be in the race to the finish line!! Mark your calendars now to experience this "cashless" *St. William Derby Night at the Races!* *Derby Dress (and Hats!) Welcomed!!*

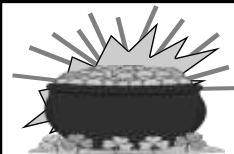
Reservation coupons and sign-up sheets will be coming soon

Parish Appreciation Event Derby Night At the Races~ February 1, 2020 *Reservation Deadline ~ January 26th*

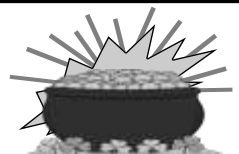
For all adult parishioners who have volunteered their time and efforts during the past year.

Name: _____

Number Attending: _____



"Pot - of - Gold" WE HAVE A WINNER !!!



*This week's winning envelope number drawn January 1 was 185.
Congratulations to Jeffrey Potts winner of the \$368.00 Jackpot! ...one-half of the amount collected.*

A new Pot-of Gold Jackpot begins this weekend!!!!

COLD AND FLU SEASON REMINDERS

During the cold and flu season, please remember the following helpful and healthy reminders:

- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze (or cough/sneeze into your elbow) and discard the tissue when finished. Please do not leave it on the chairs, in the hymnal slots, or on the floor of the Church.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after you cough or sneeze. Alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth.

SIGN OF PEACE

- Please do not be offended if someone chooses not to shake your hand at the sign of peace. If you are ill (and are present for Mass), the appropriate response to someone extending a sign of peace might be to bow to them and say, *"Peace of Christ be with you,"* to avoid bodily contact or, one might wave slightly to the person.



RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

- While it is the teaching of the Church that the fullness of the Body and Blood of Christ is contained in the Holy Eucharist under the form of the host that is distributed at Mass, the Church has also extended the privilege to receive Holy Communion in the form of wine. However, if you are feeling ill, please receive communion in the hand, and refrain from receiving under the form of the Blood of Christ until you are returned to good health.

Thank you for your cooperation.

WOMEN'S GUILD OF ST. WILLIAM PARISH

Next Meeting

January 8, 2020 ~ 6:00 p.m.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #7491



Next Meeting:

Wednesday, January 15, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

Remember to Save Pop Tabs

Continue to save pop tabs for the seventh and eighth graders' service project. The pop tabs may be placed in the container in the vestibule.

Thank you for supporting this service project.

Food Pantry



Thank you for your faithful support of the food pantry. As the holiday season winds down, school begins again, and PSR starts, the pantry gets more use. We could use the following items to stock back up: Canned soups, especially chicken noodle and ready to serve soups like Progresso; Canned fruit or single serve "lunch pack" fruit cups; single serve pudding cups; cake mixes; instant oatmeal; and, of course, breakfast cereal. Thank you for your support.

Check the parish website from time to time for information about what is happening at the parish...

www.stwilliamchampion.org

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY House Blessing Prayer

The Feast of Epiphany is traditionally a day to bless our homes for the upcoming year. As the Holy Family welcomed the three wise astrologers, we too, pray for blessings to come upon our homes and all who visit in the coming year. The family is asked to gather at the doorway of the home and say the following prayer:

*May we who live in this home
guard the sacredness of this doorway.
May God protect all who enter and
leave through this door.*

*May we welcome all to this home in the name of Christ.
May the blessing of God and His peace and grace
rest upon all who pass this threshold. AMEN.*

After the prayer, the following mark is written above the doorway in chalk

20 + C + M + B + 20

These letters represent the three initials of the Magi's names, Casper, Melchoir and Balthazar. The numbers at the beginning and end represent the year and are separated by four crosses. The letters are also the Latin abbreviation for *"Christus mansionem benedicat,"* which means *"Christ blesses this house."*